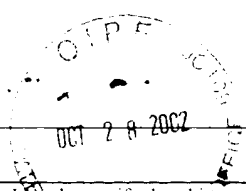
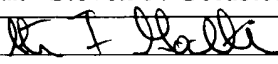


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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 30, 2002. The Examiner therein required election of one of the following groups of claims:

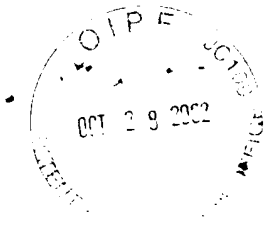
- Group I: Claims 10-13, drawn to a composition useful in tissue repair; and
 Group II: Claims 14-15, drawn to a method of promoting osteogenic cell growth.

The Office Action further requires an election of species, based on the different peptides encompassed by the claims, namely SEQ ID NOS:1-7.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of **Group I, claims 10-13 and elect the species of SEQ ID No. 1** without traverse.

Applicants expressly reserve the right under 35 USC §121 to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter or any subject matter disclosed in this application during the pendency of this application.

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